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Annual Give Kids a Smile event provides free dental care to local students.

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### Campus Dates

Job Fair, Tech Ed Fair, Auteur Film and Jazz Fest are all on tap.



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### Fair day: Collin College hosts technical education, job fairs

Looking for a job? Looking toward the future? Mark your calendars.

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### Summer, Maymester registration ongoing

Register now. Just do it.

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### Jazz Fest coming March 30-31

Special guests Wayne Bergeron and Clay Jenkins playing at Spring Creek Campus and Plano East High School.

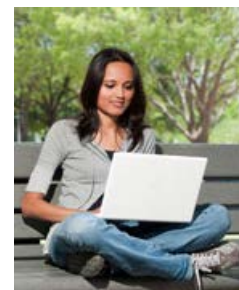


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Deadline now set for March 20.

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Deadline for ROSE award nominees is March 30.  
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Collin College alumni getting famous on the teevee.

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## Toothy grins: Collin College students volunteer for annual event



*A Collin College dental hygiene student teaches a local child proper tooth care.*



*Collin College dental hygiene students assisted with cleanings and other procedures during Give Kids a Smile.*

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*Over the years, thousands of children have benefitted from Give Kids a Smile.*



*Dental hygiene students help dentists with clerical work, cleanings and more.*



For more than 10 years, Collin College dental hygiene students have made an impact in the community ... one molar at a time.

A number of students participated, again, in the Give Kids a Smile program recently. The program teams dental hygiene students with local dentists in providing free dental care to underprivileged children from around Collin College.

"It was a very rewarding experience. It felt so good helping those kids that wouldn't ordinarily receive care, unfortunately," said Mattie Jackson, a first-year dental hygiene student.

Children receive a lesson in dental care, check-ups,

cleanings, X-rays and referral in case further care is needed. Children from Plano, McKinney, Anna, Van Alstyne and Frisco received treatment.

The dental hygiene students get to fill the gaps at Give Kids a Smile: Helping patients (and their parents) sign in, leading lessons in taking care of their teeth and even assisting in cleanings.

"I didn't know how hands on I'd be being a first year," Jackson said. "Luckily, I was able to clean the teeth on two little girls. I'll never forget their smiles. They were so sweet and appreciative."

Although volunteering with Give Kids a Smile is not mandatory, most students jump at the opportunity. Others return to volunteer after graduating and entering the workforce.

"In my opinion, I consider service highly important. After all, that's why we're getting into the healthcare field," Jackson said. "You want to help as people as you can. Certainly it should start right now, while I'm in school. This was my first chance to apply it. It hit home as to how much we did learn. It's incredibly important for students to do things like this. There's such a need for it. If people didn't participate in things like this, it'd be detrimental for those in such need."

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## Campus Dates

### ROSE Award Nominations

*Through Friday, March 30*

Nominate a full- or part-time staff member for a Recognition of Service and Excellence award. Go to [www.surveymonkey.com/s/2012\\_ROSE\\_Award](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2012_ROSE_Award).

**Contact:** [ACC@collin.edu](mailto:ACC@collin.edu)

### All College Council Nominations

*Through Friday, April 6*

Nominations to serve on the All College Council is open to any staff or faculty member. Participate in the council's many service projects. Go to [www.surveymonkey.com/s/2012\\_nominations](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2012_nominations).

**Contact:** [acc@collin.edu](mailto:acc@collin.edu)

### Spring Break

*Friday-Sunday, March 15-18*

All campuses are closed.

### Being There

*7 p.m. - Wednesday, March 21*

*Living Legends Conference Center, Spring Creek Campus*

Screening of the Hal Ashby classic from 1979 starring Peter Sellers. Supporting the Auteur Film Series of TV in film.

**Contact:**

[www.collin.edu/academics/csce/auteurfilmseries.html](http://www.collin.edu/academics/csce/auteurfilmseries.html)

### Technical Education Fair

*9 a.m.-3 p.m. - Monday, March 26*

*Living Legends Conference Center, Spring Creek Campus*

Talk with workforce programs at Collin College and university representatives about transfer. Free.

**Contact:** 972. 377.1655, 972.548.6778

### Nursing Information Session

*6:30-8 p.m. - Monday, March 26*

*Living Legends Conference Center, Spring Creek Campus*

Receive program packets, and learn about admissions, expectations, career options, salary and more.

**Contact:** [www.collin.edu/nursing](http://www.collin.edu/nursing)

### Nursing Information Session

*2:30-4 p.m. - Tuesday, March 27*

*Preston Ridge Campus, Room 148*

Receive program packets, and learn about admissions, expectations, career options, salary and more.

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### Respiratory Care Information Session

1:30-3 p.m. – Tuesday, March 27  
Preston Ridge Campus, Room J108

Receive program packets, and learn about admissions, expectations, career options, salary and more.

**Contact:** [www.collin.edu/rcp](http://www.collin.edu/rcp)

### Health Information Management Information Session

11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. - Monday, March 26  
Central Park Campus, Room B110

Receive program packets, and learn about admissions, expectations, career options, salary and more.

**Contact:** [www.collin.edu/hit](http://www.collin.edu/hit)

### Job Fair

1-4 p.m. - Wednesday, March 28  
Living Legends Conference Center, Spring Creek Campus

Dress for success and update your resume. Find full- and part-time opportunities, professional, technical and service positions, and some internships.

**Contact:** 972.881.5781

### Collin College Jazz Fest

8 p.m. - Friday-Saturday, March 30-31  
John Anthony Theatre and Plano East Senior High School

The 20th annual Jazz Fest will feature guest artists Wayne Bergeron and Clay Jenkins. Friday performance at the John Anthony Theatre. Saturday performance at Plano East. Admission is \$10. At 8:30 on Saturday, about 30 high school bands from the area will perform.

**Contact:** [kberg@collin.edu](mailto:kberg@collin.edu), 972.881.5108

### Nursing Information Session

2:30-4 p.m. – Monday, April 2  
Living Legends Conference Center, Spring Creek Campus

Receive program packets, and learn about admissions, expectations, career options, salary and more.

**Contact:** [www.collin.edu/nursing](http://www.collin.edu/nursing)

### Nursing Information Session

6:30-8 p.m. – Tuesday, April 3  
Central Park Campus Conference Center

Receive program packets, and learn about admissions, expectations, career options, salary and more.

**Contact:** [www.collin.edu/nursing](http://www.collin.edu/nursing)

### Clint Van Winkle - Book-in-Common

7 p.m. -- Tuesday, April 3  
Preston Ridge Campus Conference Center

Lecture from author and veteran Clint Van Winkle.

**Contact:** [www.collin.edu/bookincommon](http://www.collin.edu/bookincommon)

### Surgical Technology Information Session

6:30-7:30 – Tuesday, April 3

*Spring Creek Campus, Room BB133*

Receive program packets, and learn about admissions, expectations, career options, salary and more.

**Contact:** [www.collin.edu/surgtech](http://www.collin.edu/surgtech)

**Clint Van Winkle - Book-in-Common**

*7 p.m. -- Wednesday, April 4*

*Living Legends Conference Center, Spring Creek Campus*

Lecture from author and veteran Clint Van Winkle.

**Contact:** [www.collin.edu/bookincommon](http://www.collin.edu/bookincommon)

**Polysomnography Information Session**

*6:30-8 p.m. – Wednesday, April 4*

*Spring Creek Campus, Room J131*

Receive program packets, and learn about admissions, expectations, career options, salary and more.

**Contact:** [www.collin.edu/sleep](http://www.collin.edu/sleep)

**Clint Van Winkle - Book-in-Common**

*1 p.m. -- Thursday, April 5*

*Central Park Campus Conference Center*

Lecture from author and veteran Clint Van Winkle.

**Contact:** [www.collin.edu/bookincommon](http://www.collin.edu/bookincommon)

**Spring Holiday**

*Friday-Sunday, April 6-8*

All campuses are closed.

**Respiratory Care Information Session**

*Noon-1:30 p.m. – Monday, April 9*

*Central Park Campus Conference Center*

Receive program packets, and learn about admissions, expectations, career options, salary and more.

**Contact:** [www.collin.edu/rcp](http://www.collin.edu/rcp)

**Higher Education Information Session**

*7-9 p.m. – Tuesday, April 10*

*Living Legends Conference Center, Spring Creek Campus*

Meet with representatives from Dallas Baptist University, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Texas Woman's University, the University of North Texas and The University of Texas at Dallas, all partners offering programs at the Collin Higher Education Center.

Registration required.

**Contact:** [chec@collin.edu](mailto:chec@collin.edu)

**Passport to the World - "Rebels and Revolutionaries: The Story of Concord, Massachusetts"**

*Noon-1:30 p.m. – Wednesday, April 11*

*Living Legends Conference Center*

Professor Dallie Clark will discuss Transcendentalism and literature in the days of Emerson, Thoreau and Alcott. Free and open to the public.

**Contact:**

[www.collin.edu/academics/csce/PassporttotheWorld.html](http://www.collin.edu/academics/csce/PassporttotheWorld.html)

**Health Information Management Information**



**Session**

*6:30-8 p.m. – Thursday, April 12  
Spring Creek Campus, Room BB128*

Receive program packets, and learn about admissions, expectations, career options, salary and more.

**Contact:** [www.collin.edu/hit](http://www.collin.edu/hit)

**Polysomnography Information Session**

*6:30-8 p.m. – Tuesday, April 17  
Central Park Campus Conference Center*

Receive program packets, and learn about admissions, expectations, career options, salary and more.

**Contact:** [www.collin.edu/sleep](http://www.collin.edu/sleep)

**Good Night and Good Luck**

*7 p.m. - Thursday, April 19  
Angelika Film Center, The Shops at Legacy, 7205  
Bishop Road, Plano*

Continuing the Auteur Film Series' TV in film theme, *Good Night and Good Luck* follows newsman Edward R. Murray as he defies pressure from the network and sponsors and exposes the fear-mongering tactics of Senator Joseph McCarthy during the Red Scare.

**Contact:**

[www.collin.edu/academics/csce/auteurfilmseries.html](http://www.collin.edu/academics/csce/auteurfilmseries.html)

**Higher Education Information Session**

*10 a.m.-noon – Saturday, April 21  
Collin Higher Education Board Room, First Floor*

Meet with representatives from Dallas Baptist University, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Texas Woman's University, the University of North Texas and The University of Texas at Dallas, all partners offering programs at the Collin Higher Education Center. Registration required.

**Contact:** [chec@collin.edu](mailto:chec@collin.edu)

**Andrea Leavey - Poetry Reading**

*2:30-3:30 p.m. - Monday, April 23  
Living Legends Conference Center, Spring Creek  
Campus*

A free poetry reading from Andrea Leavey's new collection of poems, *To Find A New Beauty*. Leavey is a former English faculty at Collin College.

**Respiratory Care Information Session**

*1:30-3 p.m. – Tuesday, April 24  
Preston Ridge Campus, Room J108*

Receive program packets, and learn about admissions, expectations, career options, salary and more.

**Contact:** [www.collin.edu/rcp](http://www.collin.edu/rcp)

**"Do You Lose If You Snooze?"**

*1-2 p.m. -- Wednesday, April 25  
Preston Ridge Campus Conference Center*

Amber Allen, director of the Polysomnography Technologist program, and Dr. Christine DeLaTorre, professor of business management, discuss the effect of sleep on productivity. Free and open to the public.

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Collin College has two events that could impact students' futures in a major way.

The annual Job Fair and Technical Education Fair provide students with excellent opportunities to talk to local employers or representatives from technical education or workforce programs at Collin College and local universities.

### Job Fair Welcomes Nearly 30 Employers

The annual Job Fair is set from 1-4 p.m., Wednesday, March 28, at the Living Legends Conference Center located at the Spring Creek Campus.

Free and open to the public, attendees are encouraged to bring their resumes and dress for success. Full- and part-time positions will be available in addition to internships.

Employers set to attend the Job Fair include: Bankers Life & Casualty, Wells Fargo, In Touch Credit Union, New York & Company, State Farm, Kid to Kid, Kroger, Walmart, Volunteer Center of North Texas and more.

Call 972.881.5781 for more information.

### 'Make the Connection' at Technical Education Fair

Collin College is hosting its annual Technical Education Fair from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday, March 26 at the Spring Creek Campus atrium.

The fair is free and open to the public.

Create the connections that count. Talk with academic advisors and faculty about Collin College's associate of applied science degrees and certificates.

Meet university representatives to discuss how your technical degree will transfer.

Participating programs include:

- Nursing
- Animation
- Biotechnology
- Commercial Music
- ASL/Interpreting
- Respiratory Therapy
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**Summer, Maymester registration ongoing**

Priority online registration for Collin College's Maymester and summer terms begins Monday, March 12 while online registration for all students opens Thursday, March 15.

New state law mandates effective Spring 2012, all new students under the age of 30 are required to provide proof of having received the bacterial meningitis vaccination or booster 10 days prior to the start of semester term in which they are attending. Students can fax documentation of having received the vaccine or booster to 1.972.548.6702 or 972.377.1792.

For additional information about meningitis, exceptions or exemptions, email [admissions@collin.edu](mailto:admissions@collin.edu) or visit [www.collin.edu/meningitis](http://www.collin.edu/meningitis).

Registration at Collin College is done through CougarWeb and payment must be made at the time of registration. Students can find a log-in button to CougarWeb at the college's website or go directly to <http://cougarweb.collin.edu>. Then go to the "Registration Tools" channel on the home tab.

For help logging into the portal, call the Student Help Desk at 972.377.1777. A username and password are required in order to register online. Through CougarWeb, online registration is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week unless otherwise noted.

Students can also view the latest version of the e-schedule outside of the portal at [www.collin.edu/academics/class\\_schedule.html](http://www.collin.edu/academics/class_schedule.html). However, they will not be able to register until they log into CougarWeb. The college accepts VISA, MasterCard or Discover credit cards online. Personal checks are accepted in person or over the web using the college's secure Webcheck program.

For more information, visit [www.collin.edu/gettingstarted/register/](http://www.collin.edu/gettingstarted/register/). For more general information, visit [collin.edu](http://collin.edu) or call 1.877.COLLIN1.

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## Jazz Fest coming March 30-31

The 20<sup>th</sup> annual Collin College Jazz Fest will combine award-winning educators, guest artists, clinics and concerts into a weekend event that rivals festivals around the country.

The festival is scheduled for Friday-Saturday, March 30-31 with performances at 8 p.m. Friday in the John Anthony Theatre and Saturday at Plano East Senior High School.

Tickets are \$10 and are available at the door.

This year's guest artist is the Metroplexity Big Band featuring Wayne Bergeron and Clay Jenkins. Bergeron has worked on more than 300 television and motion picture soundtracks, including *Toy Story 3*, *Despicable Me*, *Sorcerer's Apprentice*, *Charlie St Cloud, 2012*, *Percy Jackson, Cats & Dogs* and *Surrogates*.

Jenkins is an associate professor of Jazz Trumpet at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York. He also is a very active performing and recording artist. He has performed and presented clinics all over the world including the United States, Canada, Japan, Italy, Korea, Germany, Portugal, Russia and South Africa.

Jenkins is a charter member of the trumpet section of the Clayton/Hamilton Jazz Orchestra, the Jazz Orchestra in Residence at the Hollywood Bowl from 1999-2001.

Starting at 8:30 a.m., Saturday, March 30, about 30 high school bands from around the Metroplex will perform and receive ratings from judges. A schedule of events will be available on campus this day. The daytime events are free and open to the public.

The Friday evening performance will feature Bergeron and Jenkins with Collin College's Jaztet One and the Texas Instruments Jazz Band and the Saturday evening performance will feature Bergeron with Collin College's Latin Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Lab Band.

Plano East Senior High School is located at 3000 Los Rios Blvd. in Plano. The John Anthony Theatre is located at the Spring Creek Campus.

For more information, email Kris Berg, professor of music, at [kberg@collin.edu](mailto:kberg@collin.edu) or call 972.881.5108.

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The deadline to submit research for the third annual Collin College Interdisciplinary Undergraduate Student Research Conference has been extended to Tuesday, March 20.

The conference is set for Thursday-Friday, April 26-27 at the Spring Creek Campus.

Undergraduate students at two- or four-year institutions are free to submit research papers, manuscripts, reports, service learning research, scientific experiments or exploratory research.

Research chosen for the conference is based on scholarly work, defined justification, logical organization, mastery of subject and appropriate citation documentation.

Submit research by:

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Time is running out to nominate someone for a Recognition of Service and Excellence (ROSE) award.

The ROSE awards are annual nods to a full- and part-time Collin College employee. The deadline is Friday, March 30. Go to [www.surveymonkey.com/s/2012\\_ROSE\\_Award](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2012_ROSE_Award) to add a name.

A ROSE award nominee should support the college's core values, demonstrate outstanding service, promote understanding and trust, be a good steward and showcase the spirit of volunteerism.

Nominees must:

- Be a full- or part-time staff member
- Have completed two years of service with the college
- Have no disciplinary actions for the past three years

A staff member is ineligible for nomination for three years after previously winning. Current All College Council members are ineligible.

ROSE award winners will be announced at All College Day in August.

Contact Lisa Huang at ext. 6734 or [ACC@collin.edu](mailto:ACC@collin.edu) for more information about All College Council and the ROSE awards.

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A number of Collin College theater alumni are appearing in Broadway and TV shows this spring: **Shawn Parikh** (*Cougar Town*), **Kimberly Whalen** (*Glee*), **Scott Michael Foster** (*Californication* and *The River*), **Jason Ralph** (*Gossip Girl*), **Brian J. Smith** (*The Columnist*, *Gossip Girl*) and **Elizabeth Judd** (*Spiderman: Turn Off the Dark*).

**Candace Cooper**, professor of developmental English, published the book *Writing to the Prompt: A Guide to Answering Writing Prompts Effectively*. Students will use this book for the newly developed Developmental Writing "Boot Camp," when it makes its debut at Spring Creek Campus this May.

**Carie Dippel**, assistant director of Academic Advising and Student Success, was chosen to serve on the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's statewide academic advising work group that will develop an assessment/evaluation instrument for academic advising in the state.

**John R. Lundberg**, a professor of history, published *Granbury's Texas Brigade* about Confederate Brigadier General Hiram B. Granbury. Lundberg used "letters, diaries and regimental documents" to provide the perspectives of the soldiers throughout the battle.

**Dr. Linda Denke**, professor of nursing, co-authored a book chapter titled "Finding and Keeping Diversity in Your Program: Hispanics in the Health Professions," which will be unveiled at the National League of Nursing Annual Educational Summit in Anaheim in September. Dr. Denke also will published an article titled "Military culture: An ethnography of chronic pain of enlisted women" in the *Peer Reviewed Journal of Pain Management Nursing*.

**Collin College's Dance Department** returned from the American College Dance Festival Association South Central Region festival with a number of honors Feb. 28-March 3 in Laredo. **Tiffanee Arnold's** piece, *Cleansing*, was selected for the festival's Gala Concert, the seventh time a work from Collin College has been chosen to this prestigious honor and the fifth for Arnold. Collin College was one of nine institutions chosen for the Gala Concert. The festival also marked the first time that Collin College brought a student choreographed work to the informal

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concert as **Carla Pinto** presented her work, *The Path to Awakening*. Student **Reyna Mondragon** presented her choreography, *The Time Between*, at the adjudicated concert.

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